

Correspondence Column

Housekeeping Now. Dear Editor—Well, I am housekeeping now. Mother has been away one week...

MARGARET VANCE ROFF. Shenandoah, Va.

A Promise Fulfilled. Dear Editor—Having promised you several times that I would send something for the exhibit...

CLARENCE K. WYATT. Conway, S. C.

A Grateful Medallist. Dear Editor—I know you think I am very ungrateful not to have written before to thank you for my prize...

ESTELLE GATES. 271 Byrne Street, Petersburg, Va.

Working Hard to Win Medal. Dear Editor—I am just writing a short note to ask a few questions...

COURTNEY K. MEADE. Mannboro, Va.

Prize from Woman's Home Companion. Dear Editor—I am inclosing a story entitled "Minna, an Indian Maid"...

LOUISE L. WALKER. Barboursville, Orange county, Va.

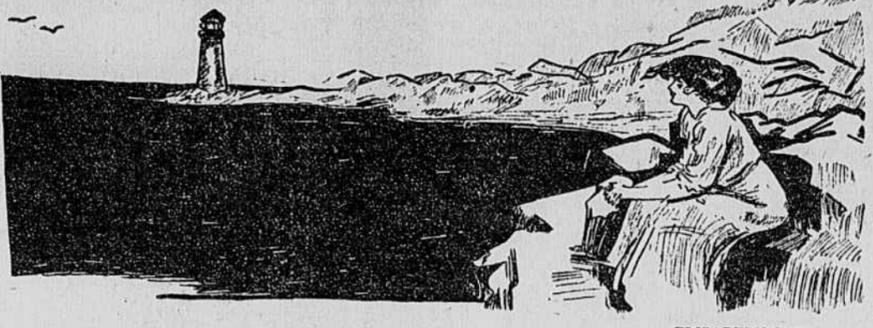
Always Reads the Page. Dear Editor—I have always been exceedingly interested in the "D. C. C." and am now writing to ask permission to join the club...

MILDRED RONQUESEN. South Boston, Va.

TED PAYNE'S BRAVERY. One day Ted Payne spent the day with his Aunt Sophie. He stayed to dinner, and it was growing dark before he reached the woods...

CLARENCE SPENCER. Somersby, Va.

VIRGINIA WALKER. Somersby, Va.



ELIZABETH REID.

EDITORIAL AND LITERARY DEPARTMENT

A BRIEF TALK

On the July Hot Wave and the Midsummer Opportunity for State Fair Exhibit Work.

Dear Girls and Boys: For some years previous to this we have had such cool summers that we concluded the climate of this section was changing and that ferid July were things of the past...

THE WEEK'S PRIZE WINNERS. Harold Lawrence, 1233 West Cary Street, city.

WEEK'S CONTRIBUTORS. Andrews, Hazel; Lewis, Barbara W.; Baker, Irma L.; Meade, C. Keith; Baker, Elsie; Miller, Agnes; Baudies, Viola; Nance, Estelle; Church, Omer; Powell, Junius B.; Collins, Margaret; Penick, Elizabeth; Cussen, Leon; Perross, Sadie; Daniel, Margaret; Perross, Sadie; Dunnivant, E.; Reid, Elizabeth; Dickinson, Lottie; Ranson, Lyr V.; Eyer, Evelyn E.; Ropp, M. B.; Elder, Curtis C.; Ronson, L.; Gales, Estelle; Raney, Irma L.; Gayle, Alice; Rea, Beatrice; Gilliam, C. S.; Spencer, Lillian; Gilliam, Mary A.; Spencer, Clarence; Hale, Alice C.; Voller, C. P.; Wynn, Lottie; Wyatt, Oscar Lee; Harrison, G. B.; Winkler, Louise; Ingram, T. J., Jr.; Wyatt, Marlan; Jones, Ethel; Wade, Russell; Jackson, Blanche; Wyatt, C. K.; Lawrence, Harold; Walker, Virginia V.

TO MOTHER. What could I do without three, Thou dear one of my heart? Life would indeed be dreary If we two were to part.

Thy dear sweet face is lovely And lovelier still it grows; I love to gaze upon it As on a dear old-fashioned rose.

Thy dear little hands are busy All day till shadows fall, Telling over for our mother's needs Not thinking of self at all.

Oh, that I were as good as thou art! That my life was as pure as thine! Oh, take me, love me and teach me, And mould this poor spirit of mine!

BY COURTNEY K. MEADE. (Age fifteen.) Mannboro, Va.

DOST THOU HEAR THE SOUNDS OF NATURE? Dost thou hear the birds a-singing, Singing sweet and clear? Dost thou hear their voices ringing, Ringing far and near?

Dost thou note the robin's call As he flits among the trees? The raven, the bluebird, each and all, Dost thou note their melodies?

Or is thy heart so strange, so cold Thou dost not hear these sweetest things— The sounds of nature, the new and old? Oh, the joy they all doth bring!

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ETHEL JONES. R. F. D. No. 3, Beaverdam, Va.

WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT. William Cullen Bryant was born at Cummington, Mass., November 3, 1794. He was the son of Peter Bryant, a physician...

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He made four voyages to Europe— one in 1834, another in 1845, another in 1852, and the last one in 1857. On one of these trips he met Hawthorne and Longfellow.

His wife died in 1856. He wrote many poems to her. He delivered a great many lectures, but he delivered his last lecture May 25, 1871. He was bareheaded, and the heat was so intense that he was overcome...

One night about 9 o'clock a boy in a neighboring village was going home from his grandmother's, where he had been spending the day.

He was about fourteen years old, and naturally didn't relish passing the negro cemetery which stood about fifty yards from the road...

He thought the best plan would be to shut his eyes and run by it as fast as he could.

So pulling his hat over his eyes and shutting them tight, he brisked his pace. After a few seconds, when he thought he would certainly be past it, he opened his eyes, but what was his horror to see himself just even with it...

With a shriek of terror, he sprang forward and covered the quarter mile to his home in less time than it takes to read this.

Here, with white face and hair standing straight up, he told his father that something tried to get him at the cemetery.

His father didn't believe him, and made the frightened boy go back to the cemetery with him. There the fence was badly torn down and an old white cow had gone in to spend the night...

As he chewed her cud she moved her tail back and forth in the air. Written by JUNIUS B. POWELL. Roxobel, N. C.

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had passed and he had failed to do so. One day he told his servants he was going to the Indian village to bring home his wife and child...

Minna's grandfather consented to let her go with her father, although he hated to see her leave him. When they arrived home she was given a lovely room, beautiful dresses, diamonds and everything a young girl would like...

One night she went quietly to her room, blew out the light, put on her Indian costume and wrote a note to her father, saying "She loved him very much, but her grandfather and the people she was raised with more, and please not to come for her again."

She arrived at her grandfather's, and he was delighted to see her. She married an Indian chief, and stayed with her grandfather the rest of her days.

LOUISE L. WALKER.

KASEM, THE MISER. (Continued from Last Week.) While he was standing and thinking how he could best torment the old miser, the Kadi, or city judge, passed by him and entered the bathhouse...

His resolution was soon taken. He waited for some moments until the Kadi should have laid aside his clothes and entered the bath, and then went to the shelves and exchanged Kasem's slippers for the Kadi's, which lay on a neighboring shelf. He then slipped away as quietly as he had entered, and went toward his home.

After a short time Kasem came for his clothes. How astonished he was when he found his slippers gone and in their place a pair of costly new ones.

The merchant must have intended these for his present and have secretly placed them here because of his miserly nature. He thought to himself "I felt quite delighted as he put them on and went his way."

But he did not go far. Several of the servants of the bathing establishment followed him and forced him to return to the bathhouse. There he found the Kadi, who angrily fell upon him, crying "You wretched creature! How could you dare to steal my slippers and leave me my miserable monstrosities in their place?"

He asserted his innocence and assured the Kadi that some bad man must have played this trick upon him. But all his eloquence availed nothing. He had been taken in the act, having still the stolen slippers upon his feet, and was sentenced to a long captivity or to a fine of 200 gold pieces.

With a heavy heart Kasem determined to pay the fine. Trembling with rage he drew forth his purse and paid the money. Then putting on his old slippers, he left the bathhouse as rapidly as possible.

When he reached home, full of rage and spite, he picked them up from the floor and threw them out of the window; he then laid himself down to recover from his late anxiety and trouble of mind.

His heavy eyes soon closed, and was already fast asleep, when he was aroused by a terrible crashing and clatter. He opened his eyes and saw, alas! all the costly bottles lying in fragments upon the ground, the precious rosewater running over the floor, and amid the scene of destruction the frightful old slippers which he had a few moments ago thrown out of the window.

Alas! this unlucky throw cost him very dear! One of the heavy slippers had struck a nice looking little boy. The slippers were thrown back into his window, and we already know the consequence.

The governor sent for Kasem, and, after hearing and investigating the affair, sentenced Kasem to the payment of a hundred gold pieces for his carelessness, added to which he was to be responsible for all expenses incurred in the cure of the injured child.

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ALICE COOPER HALE. Alice Cooper Hale was born in North Carolina, September 27, 1869. His father sent him to school regularly. He had to work on the farm every Saturday and during his vacation; he did every kind of work, such as ploughing, piling brush, splitting rails, and digging ditches. He ploughed with a bull tongue plough. When he was seventeen years old his father sent him off to college. He had to borrow money to send him. Afterward he graduated and taught school and paid the money back. While he was teaching school he found out that North Carolina needed a school for training teachers.

He built a school at Greensboro. It is called "The State Normal and Industrial School." He died September 17, 1906.

ALICE COOPER HALE.

Puzzle Department

River Puzzles.



WHAT RIVER? C. K. WYATT. Conway, S. C.

Patriotic Puzzle. What battle fought by American troops? C. K. WYATT. Conway, S. C.



Tree Puzzle. What's the tall tree? The daintiest tree? And the traitor's tree? The long-wishing tree? And the tree like an Irish nurse? What round itself doth entwine? What's the housewife's tree? The tree of the people? That half given to doctors when ill? What's the tree that in death be-nights you? The tree that to travel invites you? And the tree that forbids you to die? MARGARET DANIEL. Nohead, Va.

A Song of the United States Cities. Said little Johnny to the owl: "I've heard you're wondrous wise. And so I'd like to question you; Now, please don't tell me lies."

"The first thing I'd have you tell, My empty mind to fill, Pray, give me that explosive beef That made Chicago, Ill?"

"I've heard it said, yet do not know, In fact, it may be bosh; Then, tell me, is it lots of dirt That makes Seattle, Wash?"

"When certain things will not go straight, To right them we should try; For, may be, you can say what 'tis Sets Providence, R. I.?"

"Another thing I wish I could, Inform my waiting class, Is just how many priests it takes To say the Boston, Mass.?"

"This is the time of running debts, As you must surely know; This secret then impart to me: How much does Cleveland, O.?"

"In ages, too, you must be learned, More so than many men; So, tell me in a whisper, please, When was Miss Nashville, Tenn.?"

LYRA V. RANSON. Masonic Home, Richmond, Va.

Some Queer Names for People. 1. Who was "Uncle Robert"? 2. Who was "Old Rough and Ready"? 3. Who was "The Father of His Country"? 4. Who was "Honest Abe"? 5. Who was "The Rail-Splitter"? 6. Who was "The Hero of Orleans"? LILLIAN SPENCER. Oxford, N. C.

Hidden Girls' Names. 1. The hat rack at Ellyson's was lost 2. She is a bell at school, 3. Dada, is your horse here? 4. I cannot go on the early train, 5. "Ma, your letter is on the gas," 6. She and Robert are coming to-day. Composed by MARGARET DANIEL.

Girls' Names in Figures. 1. 5, 13, 20, 5, 18, 2. 13, 1, 18, 25, 3. 12, 9, 26, 26, 9, 5, 4. 6, 18, 1, 11, 3, 8, 5, 19, 5. 14, 1, 12, 12, 6. 1, 14, 14, 9, 5, 7. 12, 5, 14, 1, 8. 11, 1, 20, 5.

Boys' Names in Figures. 1. 2, 2, 3, 9, 14, 2. 20, 8, 5, 15, 4, 15, 15, 5, 3. 21, 18, 20, 9, 19, 4. 19, 15, 8, 14, 5. 18, 1, 21, 12, 6. 3, 12, 5, 4, 5, 7. 8, 15, 23, 1, 15, 4, 5. 3, 12, 1, 18, 5, 14, 3, 5.

815 South Hull Street, City. VIOLA P. BEADLES.

Answers to Puzzles. "Bird's Name in Picture," by Blanche Anthony: Robin. "Names of States in Figures," by Pauline Baker. 1. Oregon, 2. Rhode Island, 3. California, 4. New Mexico, 5. Maine, 6. Virginia, 7. Ohio, 8. New York, 9. South Carolina, 10. Massachusetts.

Girls' Names in Figures, by Julia L. Waring. 1. Edith, 2. Irene, 3. Nancy, 4. Mary, 5. Elizabeth, 6. Jane, 7. Ruth, 8. Helen, 9. Margaret, 10. Lillian, 11. Emma, 12. Millie.

"Proverb Puzzle" by H. Whyte: Too wise you are, Too wise you be, I see you are, Too wise for me.

"Boys' Names in Figures," by Julia Waring. 1. Julian, 2. Thomas, 3. John, 4. Arthur, 5. Randolph, 6. Harry, 7. Joe, 8. Charles, 9. William, 10. Henry, 11. Robert, 12. Isaac.

"Behedings," by B. Anthony: Wheat—Heat, Boat—Oat, Cheap—Heap, Prose—Rone, Chair—Hair, Couch—Ouch. ESTELLE GATES. Petersburg, Va.

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LOUISE L. WALKER.



ALETHA HANCOCK.



F. LOUISE WINKLER.



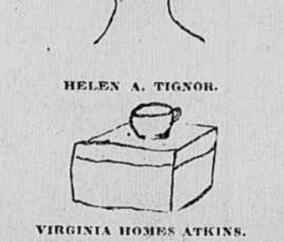
GRACIE E. PERROSS.



MARIAN LEE MOTLEY.



ELIZABETH PENICK.



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